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CONDENSED NEWS.

Mid-winter.
License court Friday.
The committee of arrangements for the convention of the State convention of the State Camp, Patriotic Order Sons of America, which meets in Harrisburg next August, has decided that all camps shall wear the same uniform on the occasion of the big parade during the convention week.
Already railroad agents are looking forward to the immense traffic that will be handled during the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo the coming summer.
Arrangements for the inauguration are already under way.
Sidewalk improvements will be the order among property holders in different parts of the city the coming spring.
Regular dances will be held hereafter under the auspices of Company F every Saturday evening. Prof. Metherell will furnish the music.
Norris Childs, conductor in the D. L. & W. yards, is ill at his home on Church street. Lee Sippy, of Bloomsburg, is temporarily filling the position.
Basket ball enthusiasts are counting on a hot game at the Armory on Friday evening.
Mrs. C. H. Wells is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. I. Steans on East Mahoning street. Last evening she was resting a little easier than she has for a day or two.
The State Pharmaceutical Association will recommend the passage of a new law by the Legislature for druggists. Under its provisions druggists will be divided into two classes: Those who sell articles in the original packages and with seals unbroken, and those who compound prescriptions.
Recorder J. C. Rutter, of Bloomsburg, yesterday received for record the mortgage given by the Columbia and Montour Electric Railway company to the Commonwealth Trust Company for \$375,000. The mortgage is to be recorded in Columbia, Luzerne and Montour counties.
The members of the Penn Social club will enjoy a sauer kraut supper at their rooms, Opera House block, to-morrow evening.
During the first week of October next there will be a gathering of the fireman of the State, which promises to be the largest ever seen in Philadelphia. It is expected that 12,000 firemen will be in line in the parade set for the third day of the meeting, which will be the twenty-second convention of the Firemen's Association of the State of Pennsylvania.
Charles Kinn has added a pigeon hole pool table to his Mill street establishment.
Gettysburg will soon be a thing of beauty and a joy forever. More paths for tourists are to be laid out on the battlefield, and if possible it is to be made handsomer than ever.
Remorse Caused Suicide.
Joseph Watson, who lived in Point township, Northumberland county, between this city and Northumberland, killed himself early Tuesday morning by shooting of the top of his head in the barn. About two years ago, Mr. Watson accidentally shot and killed his sister. Although he was exonerated from all blame for that accident, it has since preyed on his mind. When his people arose yesterday morning they found a note on the table saying that he could stand it to live no longer and that he had gone out to kill himself. Mr. Watson was forty-eight years old, and was highly respected in the community where he lived.
Death of an Infant.
Ellen, the seven and one-half months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Black, died at their home on Railroad street Monday morning. The funeral will be held this afternoon at two o'clock from St. Joseph's church. Interment will be in the Catholic cemetery.
Wintersteen Wears His Overcoat.
Considerable comment has been caused among those who have attended all sessions of the murder trial by the fact that no matter how warm it has been in the court room, Boyd Wintersteen, throughout the trial, wore his heavy overcoat.

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FOOT CUT OFF
BY CAR WHEELS

Robert Williams Did Not Succeed in Jumping on the Train.
Because of his inability to catch on a moving passenger train, Robert Williams, a well known young man of this city, will be crippled for life, with his left foot cut off just above the ankle. The accident occurred at 5:45 o'clock Monday afternoon at Mooresburg.
In company with Hayes Bedea and William Jones, Mr. Williams went to Mooresburg Monday morning to spend the day. They intended to return home on the Reading train due here at 6:04 p. m. When they heard the train coming, the young men were some distance from the station, and they ran to catch it. Bedea and Jones were ahead. They went down the steps at the station and got on to the train just before it started. Mr. Williams took a shorter cut so as to reach the track a little ahead of the train. Seeing this, Mr. Bedea said to the conductor: "There he is, let her go."
The train started, and was under good headway when it reached the point where Mr. Williams was running. Mr. Jones was standing on the rear step of the smoking car and Mr. Bedea was on the step of the next car. As Mr. Williams tried to catch the platform rod of the smoker he missed his hold, and caught Mr. Jones' overcoat instead. Mr. Bedea caught his friend by the shoulder and attempted to pull him onto the step. Mr. Williams could not succeed in catching the rod and he was too heavy for his friends to pull him up. He fell beneath the wheels so that two cars passed over his left foot just above the ankle. His right leg was stretched, but not seriously. Messrs. Jones and Bedea immediately jumped from the train, picked up their friend and telephoned for medical assistance. Drs. Curry and Shultz drove to Mooresburg. Mr. Williams was soon brought in a hack to his home on Spruce street, and his leg was amputated a little above where the wheels passed over it.

A Fine Concert.

A large audience at the opera house Friday eve was delighted by the concert given by the Katharine Ridgeway Concert company, one of the entertainments in the Y. M. C. A. star course. As an elocutionist, Miss Ridgeway has few equals. Her strong voice and power of expression were well shown in her interpretation of "The Yew of a Roman," and other humorous and serious sketches displayed her versatility in an excellent manner.
Mr. Bush's remarkable fingering, delicate touch and expression at the piano formed a pleasing feature of the concert. U. S. Kerr and Mrs. Viola C. Waterhouse, the bass and soprano, soloists are musicians of exceptional ability. Their interpretation of several difficult selections displayed to good advantage their expression and purity of tone, while Mrs. Waterhouse reached the higher registers with an ease and distinctness equalled by few artists.

Death of John Sheehan.

John Sheehan died yesterday morning at his home on Ash street. He was 22 years old, and in company with his sister Bessie and brother William returned to this city from Scranton last June. The family lived in this city before they moved to Scranton. Last spring two sisters, Mary and Annie, died within a few weeks of each other, from consumption, the disease from which he died. Miss Bessie now lies critically ill at the Ash street home. The brother and sister are the only survivors. The funeral will be held from St. Joseph's church on Friday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment will be in the Catholic cemetery.

Peter Roden Discharged.

Peter Roden, who has been in jail for nearly eight weeks on a peace warrant sworn out by his sister, was again arraigned before Judge Little Monday morning. The Judge gave the young man a lecture, told him to let intoxicating liquor alone in the future, and advised all persons to refrain from selling or giving anything to the young man to drink. He then discharged Roden on his own recognizance and promise to keep the peace for a year and to pay the costs of prosecution.

Burned Thirty Years Ago.

Peter S. Moser was yesterday brought from his home near Turbotville to the hotel of his brother, Philip S. Moser for treatment for his leg. Over thirty years ago, while a small boy, Mr. Moser's ankle was burned while he was burning brush. The injury has bothered him ever since, until a few weeks ago the foot was amputated above the ankle. It was supposed that the leg was healing all right, until a few days ago it broke out again. Drs. Newbaker and Curry examined him yesterday.

Contract Was Awarded.

The contract for the new chapel and the addition to the main building of the Holy Family Orphanage was yesterday awarded to Contractor John Smith, of Wilkesbarre. William Amesbury, of Wilkesbarre, a son of Councilman W. H. Amesbury, is in this city representing Mr. Smith, for whom he is foreman. Mr. Amesbury will have charge of the construction of these buildings.

A Popular Auctioneer.

McClellan Diehl, of the firm of Cotner & Diehl, and who is also a well known auctioneer of Washington, has been in attendance at court for several days. Mr. Diehl's services as an auctioneer are greatly in demand for the spring sales throughout this section.

ANOTHER MAD DOG
WAS SHOT

Bitten by Animal That Was Killed Over Three Weeks Ago.
Another of the dogs that were bitten by the mad dog on Sunday, December 30, has been killed by its owner, because it showed signs of the rabies. And the actions of this animal tended to disprove the well grounded belief that in cases of this kind hydrophobia develops within nine days of the time an animal is bitten.
Among the fifteen or twenty dogs that were bitten over three weeks ago were two belonging to Lloyd Lamberson, who lives about a mile and a half below town along the canal. As soon as they were bitten, Mr. Lamberson locked both of his dogs up, and within a day or two he killed one without waiting to take any risks of the development of the rabies. The other dog, a small fox terrier, he has since kept confined in a pen, taking good care of the animal, but giving it no opportunity to injure any one, should hydrophobia develop.
The dog appeared to be all right until a few days ago, when it began to act strangely. By Monday morning the dog had well developed symptoms of hydrophobia. It frothed at the mouth and snapped at everything within reach and finally appeared to be suffering from lock-jaw. Mr. Lamberson accordingly killed the dog to put it out of its misery.

Spent Most of the Day in Reading—Took a Walk in the Afternoon.

The Wintersteen juryman spent Sunday rather quietly. The judge gave them permission to attend church at any place they might elect, but James Freeze and James Butler were indisposed during the morning, and they did not attend church.
In the afternoon the two sick men felt better, and the jury went out for a walk around town, accompanied by two officers. Books were secured for them at the public library on Saturday evening, and they spent most of the day in reading.

Council Did Not Meet.

On account of a lack of a quorum, no meeting of the Borough Council was held Friday eve. The chairman of the different committees were present, however, so that the following bills were approved:

WATER DEPARTMENT.

Regular employees.....	\$144.30
Sam. A. McCoy.....	20.00
Employs on Annex.....	95.10
John Christian.....	4.20
John Keim.....	31.25
J. H. Cole.....	12.30
Curry & Vannan.....	5.58
D. L. & W. freight.....	5.50
Hoover Bros.....	12.30
Danville Bessemer Co.....	101.24
Howe & Polk.....	7.43
Richard W. Egert.....	15.00
Babeock & Wilcox Co.....	17.00
R. E. Gillaspay.....	.15
Montour & Columbia Tel. Co.....	6.00
E. W. Peters.....	55.75

REGULAR DEPARTMENT.

Regular officers.....	82.50
Regular employees.....	11.00
S. J. Welliver.....	1.45
A. C. Amesbury.....	9.00

It Was Much Enjoyed.

The concert given Tuesday eve in the Y. M. C. A. hall by the Bloomsburg Normal school orchestra was attended by a large and enthusiastic audience. The program was arranged with great care, the numbers being selected to suit all tastes.

The well known overture "Raymond" by Ambrose Thomas was played for the opening and considering the small orchestra, was well played, eliciting much applause. Mr. Breen demonstrated his ability as a violin soloist in the playing of Wieniawski's difficult "Kinawak Mazurka." He possesses much technique and plays with finish and expression. The flute and clarinet duet by Messrs. Miller and Foulke was a most pleasing number and was loudly applauded. Mr. Foulke is a son of B. F. Foulke of this city. Signorina Comba, the soprano, sang two selections. She possesses a natural soprano voice which has been well cultivated, and she sings very effectively.

Recommendations of the Grand Jury Should Be Acted Upon.

Among the recommendations made by the Grand Jury in its report presented on Thursday afternoon were two, the need for which the general public can well appreciate. They were for repairing the roof of the river bridge, and to place glass in the office doors in the court house so that the hall will be better lighted.

The need of the repairs to the bridge is apparent to all. A few dollars saved by neglecting the bridge roof would soon result in more serious trouble, that would cost hundreds of dollars to rectify. Any one who visits the Court house easily recognizes the wisdom of the second recommendation. The hall is usually so dark that it is impossible to see to read the signs on the doors, and on cloudy days it is necessary to feel to find the doors themselves.

PERSONAL
PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Doings of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

Mrs. Charles Houghton of Sunbury is visiting her aunt, Mrs. John F. Kramer on Nassau street.
Mrs. David Lougher of Elmira N. Y., is a guest at the home of her father Michael Everett on Cooper street.
Mrs. William T. Zell, of Coatesville, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jesse L. Beaver, Fine street.
Mrs. John Henderson returned to Williamsport Tuesday after a visit with her father, Andrew Russell, on Lower Mulberry street.
Rev. C. B. Heller, of Everett, Bedford county, is visiting at the home of D. R. Williams, Nassau street.
Mrs. William Covert, of Germantown, is visiting at the home of her nephew, H. W. Wyant, on East Mahoning street.
George Fenstermacher returned to Philadelphia Tuesday after a visit with his brother Peter Fenstermacher, South Danville.
Miss Lillian Haas returned to Harrisburg yesterday after a visit with her sister Mrs. John Patton on Lower Mulberry street.
Miss Olive Van Dyke left for Lewisburg last evening after a visit with Danville friends.
Assistant District Attorney Samuel Clement, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Marsh, Mrs. Daniel DeLong and Frank E. DeLong, all of Philadelphia, will arrive tomorrow for a ten days visit at the Blue Spring farm, near Washingtonville.
The Rev. Adolph Meyers was in Bloomsburg yesterday afternoon.
The Rev. J. A. Huber returned from Lancaster yesterday.
Mrs. Frank Heim, Mrs. William L. and Mrs. Edward Sainsbury attended the funeral of Clifford Hoy in Northumberland yesterday.
Miss Sallie Byerly is visiting relatives in Shamokin.
Mrs. C. P. Harder and daughter Miss Blanche visited friends in Bloomsburg yesterday.
Miss Millie Harder left yesterday for Muskegon, Mich., after a visit at the home of her uncle, Deputy Post-master C. P. Harder.
D. J. Rogers was in Sunbury yesterday.
Thomas Elmes, of Roaring Creek, attended court in this city yesterday.
Thomas F. Wells, of Scranton, is a guest of his sister, Mrs. W. I. Steans, on East Mahoning street.
Miss Blanche Halstead and M. L. Halstead, Scranton, were the guests of Miss Agnes Parsel on Mowery street yesterday.
J. R. McHenry of Benton transacted business in Danville yesterday.
Fred Davis returned to Norristown yesterday after a visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. James B. Davis on East Market street.
Charles Madara of Bloomsburg spent yesterday in Danville.
Thomas Woods transacted business in Bloomsburg yesterday.
J. F. McCloughan returned yesterday from a trip to Elwin, near Philadelphia.
U. Y. James transacted business in Sunbury yesterday.
Elias Lyon was in Sunbury yesterday.
Miss Anna Newberry left yesterday for Philadelphia.
Charles Hershey spent yesterday in Sunbury.
Frank Kline returned to Rohrsburg yesterday after a visit at the home of Mrs. P. B. Keeler, East Market street.
Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Ikeler, Prof. Otto Ikeler and W. H. Ikeler, of DuBois, who have been guests at the home of Livertyman Raymond Ikeler on East Market street, left yesterday for a visit with relatives in Rohrsburg.
Miss Helen Deen spent last evening in Wilkesbarre.
Mrs. J. R. Rote returned last evening from a visit in Philadelphia.
Miss Ella Heckman returned to Chambersburg yesterday after a visit at the home of J. E. McCoy on West Market street.
The Rev. J. W. Bell and wife, of Strawberry Ridge called on Danville friends yesterday.
John Robbins, of Washingtonville, was in Danville yesterday.
Henry Billmeyer, of Pottsgrove, drove to Danville yesterday.

Funeral of Mrs. George Zehnder.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Beaver, Monday attended the funeral of Mrs. George Zehnder, which was held from her home in Berwick. Mrs. Zehnder died on Saturday morning, aged forty-three years. Interment was at Berwick. She was the daughter of the late Egbert Thompson, and was born and spent her early life in Danville, where she had many friends. She was a sister of Mrs. Beaver and of Mrs. William T. Zell, of Coatesville. She is survived by her husband and three daughters, Mildred, Bernice and Hazel.

Death of Mrs. Isaac Hoffman.

Mrs. Isaac Hoffman died Tuesday morning at 1:15 o'clock at her home in South Danville. She was seventy-two years old. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Oscar Shultz of Danville and Mrs. James Carr of Kipp's Run. The funeral will be held from the house on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment will be in Mt. Vernon cemetery.

PETITION TO
LEGISLATURE

Asking That the Canal Shall not be Abandoned.

A petition, containing the names of 51 Danville residents, was yesterday forwarded to Liverpool, Perry county to be sent from there to the State Legislature, urging the authorities not to pass any bill for the abandonment of the Pennsylvania canal, and also urging the passage of another measure to compel the Pennsylvania Canal and Railroad companies not to discriminate against boat traffic in favor of the railroad.
Such petitions were recently sent out from Liverpool to points all along the line of the canal. They have been signed by hundreds of people who are opposed to the closing of the old waterway. The petition has been circulated in this city by a well known canal boatman. This petition is being circulated because canal men fear that a bill will be introduced into the Legislature in the interest of the canal company, declaring the canal closed. It is claimed, that inasmuch as the canal was constructed as a public waterway, it cannot be closed without such legislation.
The petition sets forth that the Pennsylvania Canal and Railroad companies have for years been discriminating against boatmen, in order that the canal may not pay, so that it can be abandoned. It is further claimed that without such discrimination, the canal would still pay. The Legislature is accordingly asked to pass a bill compelling the companies not to make this discrimination.
As far as the boatmen are aware, no bill has been introduced for the abandonment of the canal, but they fear that such a bill will come at this session. One reason for this belief, is that it is understood that just before navigation closed two months ago, all section foremen and lock-keepers in the employ of the canal company were notified that as soon as navigation closed for this winter, it would be to their interest to seek some other permanent employment.
One boatman in this city said yesterday that it is the general belief among boatmen that water will be turned into the canal in the spring, but that it will be largely a matter of form to comply with the charter, and that practically no boating will be done next season.

Recommended Slight Improvements to
County Buildings and Property.

During Thursday afternoon's session of court, the members of the Grand Jury presented their report and were discharged by the court.
The report stated that the Jury had found fourteen true bills in criminal cases, and that the members of the Jury had examined all of the county buildings and property, on account of which they made the following recommendations: A new coat of paint for the court house; paint and paper for the Grand Jury room of the court house; transoms, with opaque glass, over the office doors leading into the lower hall of the court house, in order that the hall may be better lighted; an additional telephone for the court house, to be placed in the Prothonotary's office; slight repairs to the doors and walls of the jail.

Annual Banquet.

The annual installation and banquet of Letus Conclave, No. 137, Order of Heptastophis, was held Thursday eve. The officers were installed in the lodge rooms by District Deputy Supreme Archon A. M. Peters. At nine o'clock the lodge adjourned to the Armory, where two long tables were tastefully arranged by Caterer W. Fred Jacobs.
About eighty members of the lodge and guests enjoyed the banquet which included all manner of good things from roast turkey to cigars, with scalloped oysters, celery, potatoes, fruit, cake and ice cream as incidentals along the line of march.
The officers installed were:
Past archon, Gilbert Voris; archon, John Kilgus; prelate, C. W. Zaner; secretary, C. G. Cloud; financier, W. L. McClure; treasurer, A. M. Gearhart; inspector, George W. Steinmiller; warden, John Henrie; sentinel, J. E. Richard; trustees, George Maier, J. M. Ireland, and W. O. Green.
H. A. Kissinger, Jr., J. C. Kenney, W. H. Bucher, J. J. Kelly and Oscar Foust, of the West Branch Conclave, of Milton, were present.

Salesmen Are Busy.

The business at the Montour house last week was close to a record breaker, and with the exception of Judge Little and Court Stenographer Vanderschick, who took their dinners at the house, none of it was due to the session of court. It was almost entirely due to the large number of traveling men, who have started out after the inventory period. Over 200 arrivals were recorded on the hotel register. Another encouraging feature was that most of the commercial salesmen report business as being very good. Several nights it was necessary to turn people away from the house because every room was occupied.

Mr. Price Was Burned.

Postmaster Thomas J. Price was burned about the face on Saturday evening by the explosion of hot metal at the Structural Tubing works. Repairs were being made to an engine, and Mr. Price stood near as some hot Babbit metal was poured in. A slight dampness, which had not been noticed, caused an explosion. Although the injury was painful, it was not serious.

IT IS VOLUNTARY
MANSLAUGHTER

Verdict of Jury in Case of Boyd Wintersteen,
Convicted of Killing Superintendent
Martin L. Fisher.

AGREEMENT REACHED ON THE SIXTH BALLOT.

At First the Jury Stood Two for First and Five
for Second Degree Murder, and Five
for Acquittal.

"We find the prisoner, Boyd Wintersteen, guilty of voluntary manslaughter."
The above was the verdict in the case of Boyd Wintersteen, handed in by the jury at 9:45 o'clock last evening, after having been out just six hours.

Throughout last evening the one question, asked on all sides, was: "What will the verdict be?" The bell had not ceased to ring, announcing that a verdict had been reached, until people, running from every direction, were rushing into the court room; and before court was called the room was crowded. Standing room was the only thing thought of, all that could, standing on seats or the backs of seats.

When Wintersteen was brought into court he looked anxious, casting nervous glances on all sides, and pulling at his mustache, according to his custom.
As Judge Little directed Prothonotary Miller to "take the verdict of the jury," a hush fell throughout the room, and only anxious breathing was to be heard, while the verdict was being entered by the court.

As soon as the verdict was announced, Attorney E. S. Gearhart turned and shook hands with and congratulated his client. Several of his friends came up and shook hands with Wintersteen. Tears came to his eyes, and he sat until led back to jail like one dazed.
Mr. Gearhart made a motion for a stay of judgment, pending the filing of reasons for a new trial.

The penalty for the crime of which Wintersteen stands convicted is solitary and separate confinement at hard labor for not to exceed twelve years, and a fine of not to exceed \$1,000.

Court was adjourned until Friday morning. After the adjournment, it was learned that the jury took six ballots during the six hours that they were out. On the first ballot, the vote stood, two for murder in the first degree, five for murder in the second degree, and five for acquittal. During the next five ballots different changes were made as the jury gradually worked together for a compromise on voluntary manslaughter.

THE SUMMING UP.

TUESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.
The public, which supposed that the Wintersteen murder trial had been adjourned until Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning, was surprised at 9:30 o'clock, Tuesday morning when the ringing of the court house bell announced that the court was ready for the summing up of the attorneys.

The audience for the morning session was the smallest since the trial began, there being many vacant seats in the court room.
Soon after court convened Hon. H. M. Hinkley began his speech for the defense, talking for a little over an hour. He was followed by E. S. Gearhart, Esq., who had not completed his plea at noon. Both of them made strong pleas; urging particularly that the evidence introduced had failed to warrant a verdict of murder in the first degree, and that the verdict should be for manslaughter, unless the evidence to show self defense had been strong enough to warrant acquittal.

Judge Hinkley claimed that the Commonwealth had failed entirely to make out a case of deliberate murder, and that the claims made at the beginning of the trial, that threats were made against the life of Mr. Fisher had not been substantiated by the testimony. He said that the statements of Wintersteen that there would "be the biggest time on J. R. Bennett's farm

and mind, precluded any idea of deliberate murder. "If he intended to kill Fisher," inquired Judge Hinkley "why did he go about it so publicly, when he could have done it quietly, without fear of being seen by any one? He also could have got away, instead of giving himself up, as he did. It seems to me that your only difficulty will be to determine between a verdict of manslaughter and acquittal. It is a question, whether the shooting was justified, or whether Wintersteen used more force than was right in trying, as he supposed, to defend his life."
Mr. Gearhart, in referring to the threats that it has been claimed Wintersteen made, said that the statement that "there would be the biggest time that there ever was on John R. Bennett's farm," might mean many things concerning that place, which is used to "big times," but that the statement bore no signs of vindictiveness.
In regard to the purchase of the revolver, he said, that Wintersteen simply bought the revolver to protect himself, for if he had wanted to murder Martin Fisher, he could have done it on the street some dark night with a billie or black jack, without leaving any convicting evidence of the crime.
"Or, if he wanted to murder Mr. Fisher," continued Mr. Gearhart, "why didn't he stay in the woods to wait for him, instead of meeting the Superintendent in the open?"
The attorney claimed that all facts proved the truthfulness of Wintersteen's statements in regard to the shooting, to which there is no other living witness. He said that if Mr. Fisher had not made the move toward his hip pocket, which Wintersteen claimed that he did, the bullet would have taken a different course through the body than it did. He also pointed out that had Mr. Fisher continued to sit with his left hand on the carriage box, as he did when the defendant first stopped him, the bullet must necessarily have gone through the large sleeve of the linen duster that Mr. Fisher wore, but the fact that there was no such mark on the duster, proved that Mr. Fisher must have moved his arm in the manner that the defendant claims he did.
Mr. Gearhart said that he did not for a minute mean to claim that Wintersteen was insane, but that his debauch had left him so mentally unbalanced that he was unaccountable for his acts. In regard to the statements that Mr. Fisher was unarmed and that Wintersteen need not have feared a movement toward the hip pocket, Mr. Gearhart said that while the wounded man was driving up the road, after he was shot, he might have thrown away a whole United States arsenal, had he had it about him, and no search has ever been made for any revolver that he might have thrown away at that time.
The two claims made by the defense, said Mr. Gearhart in conclusion, are that the defendant was mentally incapable of having committed a deliberate murder, and secondly that the shooting that did occur, was simply done, as he supposed, in self defense.
At 1:30 o'clock when court convened only Associate Judge Thompson was on the bench. He announced that Presiding Judge Little was too ill to attend court, and an adjournment was accordingly taken until 9:30 o'clock this morning.
One of the largest audiences that has been present during the trial had crowded into every inch of available space in the court room to listen to the concluding speeches, the charge of the Judge, and witness the concluding incidents of the trial.
Judge Little has not felt well throughout the entire term, but his illness took a more serious turn Tuesday noon. He is suffering from a form of the grip. Dr. Thompson, who attended him at the Montour House, said that he thinks the Judge will be able to preside when court convenes this morning.
WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.
The court room was crowded when court convened at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Judge Little, with associates Thompson and Blee were on the bench. Judge Little looked better than he has for most of the time since the beginning of this session of the court.
Edward Sayre Gearhart, who had not completed his plea when court adjourned at noon on Tuesday, continued his speech, talking until two o'clock.
A murmur ran through the courtroom as Mr. Gearhart arose to make the concluding argument in the case. On the table at his side were the revolver with which the shooting was done and the box containing the clothes worn by Mr. Fisher when he was shot.
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